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CR 900 North / Lafayette Center Road

Need/Purpose

CR 900 N/Lafayette Center Road is a high volume roadway with a high percentage of truck traffic. The existing clear roadway width is substandard for the amount of traffic that the roadway carries. Additionally, there is an at-grade railroad crossing located 0.8 mile east of US 24 that causes substantial motorist delays. The purpose of this 3-mile project is to improve capacity, reduce delay and provide a safer corridor for the motoring public.

Project's Overall Cost

This project is being 100% funded from the 2020 Trust fund. Total project cost of \$30,000,000 includes Road and Bridge Design, Survey, Environmental Work, Geotechnical Investigation, Right-of-Way Engineering, Right-of-Way purchases, Utility and Railroad Coordination, Construction Costs and Construction Inspection.

Open House Scheduled for September 8, 2014

An open house is planned for this project on Monday, September 8th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the Cornerstone Alliance Church located at 5833 East CR 900 North, Roanoke, IN. Stakeholders and media will be alerted prior to the event.

Traffic Maintenance

Traffic is intended to be maintained throughout the duration of the project.

Construction Date Information

Construction should commence during the spring of 2016 and conclude during the fall of 2017. All work is pending environmental approval and right-of-way acquisition.

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Overview of 2020 Trust Fund

The 2020 Trust Fund, established in 2013 by the Indiana General Assembly, could generate more than \$1 billion by 2020 for major projects that address Indiana's most crucial highway needs.

The two-year state budget passed by legislators requires transferring \$200 million a year from the state General Fund into the 2020 Trust Fund to pave the way for the state's next big round of highway-building. The trust fund is to be used exclusively for major highway expansion projects that enhance the ability of goods to be transported in and through Indiana.

2020 Benefits

These choice 2020 Trust Fund investments will produce an array of benefits to road users. These include greater mobility, less congestion, and more reliability in transport of goods and people through and within Indiana, which will strengthen the state's business economic competitiveness and quality of life.

Design modernization associated with this program will improve traffic safety performance by reconstructing roadway and roadside elements to contemporary standards. These elements include fundamental safety-related components such as signs, pavement markings, delineators, lighting, roadside barriers and attenuators, and geometric elements, including pavement and roadside slopes, horizontal and vertical clearances, lane and shoulder widths, and on- and off-ramp acceleration and deceleration dimensions.

There is also a direct benefit to physical asset condition given that underlying, in-place infrastructure such as bridges and pavement base – much of it now approaching 50 years of age – will be renewed or replaced. And lastly, additional travel lanes and their availability for short-term lane restrictions present opportunities for greater efficiency in completing future maintenance and preservation work.